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The above-identified patent application has a corresponding European Patent Application No. EP 99660194. Applicants' attorney encloses a copy of a European Search Report dated 5 April 2000, issued on the corresponding European Patent Application No. EP 99660194. The Search Report cited United States Patent No. 5,779,338 and European Patent Application No. EP 0802446.

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Copies of the European Search Report and the cited references are enclosed together with PTO-Form 1449.

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